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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A marking surface operable to be written on, drawn on or otherwise marked by a user providing penmanship improving indicia, comprising:

a marking area comprising penmanship improving indicia including comprising ink capable of disappearing; and

an overlying barrier sheet for preventing permeation of air, said overlying barrier sheet being removably affixed to the marking surface area;

wherein removal of said overlying barrier sheet initiates a chemical reaction process in which said ink disappears with after passage of a certain amount of time.

2. (Original) The marking surface of claim 1, wherein said barrier sheet is a sheet of synthetic polymer.

3. (Original) The marking surface of claim 1, wherein said barrier sheet is a sheet of lightweight aluminum foil.

4. (Original) The marking surface of claim 1, wherein said marking area includes an area for writing a note between a plurality of lines formed from said ink.

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5. (Original) The marking surface of claim 1, further comprising a series of instructions located on said barrier sheet.

6. (Original) A system for providing guidance for writing a note, comprising:
a writing surface including a guidance means formed of a substance capable of disappearing; and
an activating cover for initiating a reaction process when placed over said writing surface, thereby causing said substance to disappear.

7. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 6, wherein said activating cover is treated with ~~oxidizing~~ oxidizing a reactionary agent reacting with said substance on said writing surface to cause said substance to disappear.

8. (Original) The system of claim 6, wherein said activating cover is a sheet of synthetic polymer.

9. (Original) The system of claim 6, wherein said activating cover is a sheet of light-weight aluminum foil.

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10. (Original) A method for providing a writing surface with penmanship improving indicia, comprising:
- treating the writing surface with a disappearing substance to form the penmanship improving indicia; and
 - covering the writing surface with an air-impermeable cover to prevent exposure of the writing surface to air.
11. (New) A system as claimed in claim 6, wherein said activating cover comprises a chemical for initiating the reaction process when the activating cover is placed over said writing surface.